

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the abstract with the following amended abstract:

~~The present invention relates to a~~ A device that is selectively interconnectable to a child's seat is provided. More specifically, ~~one embodiment of the present invention~~ the device is a travel tray that is adapted to selectively interconnect to a child safety seat, a stroller, a seat in a sports venue, or an airplane seat. ~~This embodiment of the present invention~~ The device is constructed of compliant material that is adapted to receive and secure a plurality of cups and various other items with drink holders and pockets. Furthermore, the ~~present invention~~ device includes a rigid area, wherein a child is provided with a location that is more stable in which to read, draw, or play.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 4, with the following amended paragraph.

It is thus one aspect of the present invention to provide a tray that is adapted for selective interconnection to a child safety seat generally used in automobiles. More specifically, one embodiment of the present invention is adapted to selectively interconnect with a child safety seat through the use of hook and loop fasteners, such as ~~velcro~~ hook and loop material, snaps, zippers, "C"-channels, latches, etc. Preferably, one embodiment of the present invention is provided with hook and loop fasteners, wherein the caretaker interconnects, with glue for example, one side of the fastener to the child safety seat, and wherein the other mating surface of the fastener is sewn into the tray. Upon seating a child and strapping them in safely, the caretaker simply drapes the tray over the child's legs, thus providing an area for play and storage. The tray is secured to the seat by selectively interconnecting the ~~velcro~~ hook and loop material halves together on both sides. Alternatively, the tray of the present invention may be rigidly interconnected to one side of the safety seat via screws or bolts, wherein the other side is selectively interconnected thereto, thus providing a hinged interconnection scheme.

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Another embodiment of the invention integrates a wipe on/wipe off board into the lap portion of the tray, which is generally used with non-permanent markers repeatedly without the use of paper that causes clutter in the backseat of an automobile. In addition, a game such as tic-tac toe, etch-a-sketch, road bingo, etc., may be employed on the lap portion of the tray to provide entertainment to a child. A magnetic surface or a surface with hook and loop fasteners may also be provided such that special toys may be used in conjunction therewith, such as magnetized blocks or playing toys with employing ~~velcro~~ hook and loop material thereon, wherein the toys would less likely be misplaced.

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Referring now to Figs. 1 and 2, the tray 2 of the present invention is shown herein. More specifically, one embodiment of the invention includes a rectangular piece of compliant material that includes an exterior edge 12, an interior edge 14, a left edge 16, a right edge 18, a plurality of drink holders 6, and a plurality of pockets 4. In addition, a substantially rigid panel 8 is provided, thus providing a stable play or drawing area. One skilled in the art will appreciate that the location and size of the tray 2 may be altered to fit many types of child seating arrangements. For example, the present invention may be scaled up or down to fit stroller chairs, safety chairs, chairs in airplanes, stadium chairs, etc. In addition, the dimensions and locations of the drink holders 6, and pockets 4, and rigid panel 8 may be shaped and scaled in a plurality of ways. Preferably, in one embodiment of the present invention, the drink holders 6 are between approximately 2 and 5 inches in diameter. In a preferred embodiment the drink holders are approximately 3 ½ inches in diameter[[, the]]. The right edge 18 and left edge 16 of one embodiment are between approximately 7 and 11 inches long. In a preferred embodiment the right edge 18 and left edge 16 are about 9 inches long, and the The exterior edge 12 and interior edge 14 are between approximately 30 and 34 inches long in one

embodiment and in a preferred embodiment are about 32 inches long. The pocket 4 depth is between approximately 3 and 5 inches deep in one embodiment of the present invention. However, as mentioned above, one skilled in the art will appreciate that the edges are not required to be of equal length, and many shapes may be created with respect to the compliant material, wherein the intention of the present invention is met.

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As shown, the pockets 4 are created of a mesh material to facilitate the location and viewing of the item contained therein. Alternatively, a solid pocket may be used, or the pocket may be omitted altogether. As seen more distinctly in Fig. 2, a fastening mechanism 22 is also included proximate to the left edge 16 and right edge 18 of the present invention. This fastening mechanism 22, preferably, in one embodiment of the present invention, is a hook and loop type fastener, such as ~~velcro~~ hook and loop material, which extends the length of both edges, and which is adapted to selectively interconnect with a second fastening member that is interconnected to the child seat. Alternatively, other fasteners such as snaps, latches, zippers, bolts, screws, "C"channels, etc., may be used to selectively fasten the tray 2 to the child seating area.

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| 28 | Tv or computer monitor   |
| 30 | Game                     |
| 32 | Chalk board              |
| 34 | Wipe on / wipe off board |